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PERSONAL.

Robert Emperor, of West Scranton, has returned from New York city. Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Payne have returned from their wedding trip.

Miss Gertrude Hess, of Bethlehem, is the guest of Miss Bertha Powell. Miss Anna Carney, of Wilkes-Barre, is the guest of Miss Elaine Larkin, of Lafayette street.

Mrs. W. F. Hosie, of Boulevard of Lafayette, is entertaining Miss Louis Gibbons, of Wilkes-Barre. Attorney Mark Walsh, of Clinton, Pa., is the guest of his brother-in-law, M. P. Judge, of Taylor.

Atorney M. F. Conry left the city yesterday on an extended business trip through the west. Miss Addie J. Hinkley, of Oswego, N. Y., is the guest of Mrs. George D. Taylor, of Olive street.

Mrs. C. W. Treverton, wife of Dr. Treverton and daughter, Pearl, are spending the summer at Ocean Grove, N. J. Miss Margaret Shea, of Kingston, will be the guest of Miss Jetta Roland, of Meridian street, during the coming two weeks.

ROUND WOODS WILL BECOME PUBLIC PARK

ENTIRE TRACT OF LAND PURCHASED BY W. W. WATSON.

Negotiations Which Have Been Carried on Quietly for Some Time Between President Truesdale and the Purchaser Were Closed Yesterday—Surrounding Land Will be Made Available for Building Purposes—Purchase Price Is Understood to Be \$60,450.

Negotiations for the purchase of the Round woods and the adjoining property, from the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western company, which have been going on for some time between President Truesdale and Hon. W. W. Watson, vice president of the Keystone Land company, were closed at the Jersey yesterday, and the entire tract of land from South Main avenue to the company houses on the west end, and from the city line to Lincoln Heights becomes the property of Mr. Watson.

The tract comprises ninety-three acres and it is understood that the purchase price was \$60 per acre. The purchase was made through President Truesdale and E. T. Lukens, of Hoboken, general land agent of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western company, and Mr. Watson, but it is understood that other parties besides Mr. Watson will become interested in the purchase. The deeds are now being prepared and the transfer will be made for a cash consideration, which will amount to \$60,450.

Heretofore, under ex-President Samuel Sloan's administration, a proposition for the purchase of this land was out of the question. Mr. Sloan was quoted as saying that the property would never be sold while he was president of the company. Since the advent of the new officials, however, it was quite generally hinted that they were favorable to the sale of the land, but the fixed price was \$1,000 per acre for the woodland, and that was considered pretty steep by real estate men.

FOR A PUBLIC PARK. So much has been printed through the newspapers regarding the availability of the woods for a public park, and the fact that the West side board of trade, at their last meeting, appointed a committee to confer with the railroad officials regarding the donation of the land to the city for that purpose, opened up an avenue through which Mr. Watson foresaw great possibilities, and immediate action on his part resulted in the realization of a hope which the West Scranton people have cherished for many years.

Mr. Watson is largely interested in the Keystone Land company, and it is owing to the fact that their property, known as Lincoln Heights, adjoins this plot of ground that the purchase was made. It will eventually become one continuous residence district, making one of the finest suburban sites in the city.

The unoccupied land surrounding the woods will be cut up into building lots and placed on the market as soon as possible. Already plans have been prepared for opening the land, and streets and avenues leading to and beyond the woods from Main avenue will be laid out. The woods will be cleared of the dead timber now lying around the ground and the work of improving the grove will be commenced immediately.

In fact, the Round woods will be converted into what will eventually be known as Lincoln park, and no money will be spared to make it one of the most attractive spots in northeastern Pennsylvania. Already the natural advantages of the place speak volumes for its usefulness for such a purpose.

PLAN OF THE STREETS. Mr. Watson proposes to lay out a plot of ground fronting on Main avenue, which will be donated to the city for public use, and from the plans submitted to a Tribune representative yesterday, all avenues will lead directly west from Main avenue to the park, similar to Stratford and other avenues in Lincoln Heights.

The city line, or Round Woods lane, which now divides the purchased land and the plot of ground known as the Farview Land company's site, will be widened to the width of an avenue, and will probably be the main approach to the park, but this has not been definitely decided upon. Shade trees will be planted on all the streets, and every improvement necessary for a desirable home site will be made.

The property is situated on the western side of South Main avenue and is just outside the city line on either side, but inasmuch as the city line extends far beyond the land both on the southeastern and northern sides, there is a possibility of it becoming a part of the city. The tract belonging to the Farview Land company has been opened for several years, and there is an ordinance now in council pertaining to the acceptance of the streets therein by the city.

The promoters of the deal, Mr. Watson said, will so improve the land surrounding the woods and make it such a desirable site, in addition to pointing out the necessity of the place for a public park, that the grove will be available for that purpose if the city officials are so inclined to purchase it. The previous arrangements made by

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the Columbia Hose and Chemical company and Superintendent Loomis for the use of the grounds for a picnic on Aug. 10, will not be interfered with, but the work of cleaning up the debris and dead timber will be commenced immediately.

This is one of the most important real estate deals in the history of the city, and practically means a public park for West Scranton's 45,000 population, regardless of any effort that has been or might be made by the park commissioners.

The officers of the Keystone Land company, who are also interested in the purchase, are: Charles Schlager, president, and G. Frank Reynolds, secretary-treasurer.

NOTHING DEFINITE YET.

Seattle Is Asked to Verify or Deny Report of Vetter's Death. Nothing definite has yet been received by Mrs. P. J. Vetter in regard to the death of her husband, Philip J. Vetter, who is reported to have perished in the Klondike country. In the meantime, Mrs. Vetter is living in hopes that the reports may have been false, as many are inclined to think they were.

George M. Watson, Mrs. Vetter's attorney, yesterday telegraphed to the Associated Press authorities and they promised to direct their correspondent in Seattle to thoroughly investigate the matter. Mr. Watson also telegraphed to Mr. C. W. Frankland, formerly of this city, but now of Seattle, and Mrs. Vetter received the following dispatch yesterday in reply:

Seattle, Washington, July 19.—To Mrs. P. J. Vetter, Scranton, Pa.: Mrs. Bonn not arrived. Next steamer. Had reports from Vetter's party. Information about steamer expected soon. Will write you definite information. C. W. Frankland.

FOR MILITARY SERVICES.

Number of Men of the County Who Are Available to Carry Arms for Their Country.

The county commissioners have prepared a report which will be forwarded to Adjutant General T. J. Seaward at Washington, showing the number of men in this county who are available for military duty. Information about the number in each township, borough and ward is as follows:

Table listing military statistics by township and ward, including names like Archbald, Blakely, Dunmore, etc.

Total 38,476. The total number of registered voters in the county is 45,892.

\$5.00 to Niagara Falls and Return via the Lehigh Valley Railroad. On August 12 the Lehigh Valley railroad will sell tickets to Niagara Falls and return, at the special low fare of \$5 for the round trip from Scranton, Pa., limited for return passage to August 13, inclusive. Tickets will be blanked on any train, except the Honk-Diamond Express.

Consult Lehigh Valley ticket agents for further particulars. Notice. Joseph Speicher is no longer treasurer for the Pennsylvania Savings Fund and Loan association. Payment will be made to the company's office, 423 Council building, Pennsylvania Savings Fund and Loan association.

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'TIS TIME TO CALL A HALT

So President Luther Keller of Common Council Declares.

CITY PLUNGING INTO DEBT

Instead of Dividing Up the Balance in the Fund for Electric Lights Mr. Keller Suggested That It Be Turned Into the Judgment and Incidental Fund and the Bills in the City Controller's Hands Paid. Proposition Did Not Meet With Approval—Lamentable Condition of the Apparatus of the Fire Department Disclosed.

At last night's meeting of common council Luther Keller, the president of that body, relinquished the chair and going upon the floor, made a stirring arraignment of the reckless and almost criminal manner in which the city business is transacted.

During the meeting of the common council one week ago last night a number of ordinances were introduced transferring money from the electric light fund to place permanent men in fire engine houses, establish fire alarm boxes and electric lights and do many other things and Mr. Keller served notice of his protest against them that he would oppose all such ordinances, not because he thought the improvements unnecessary but for the reason that it would be good business policy to use this balance for the payment of the city's debts.

After the appropriation ordinance was passed this year, setting aside a certain sum of money for electric lights, the Scranton Electric Light and Heat company reduced the price per kilowatt for electric street lights, which will make the city's bill for that item \$124,345 less than the amount appropriated. This represents a balance that can be used for other purposes and the councilmen of both branches have been making all kinds of assaults upon it.

WAY IT CAME UP.

The matter came formally before council last night, when an ordinance was called on third reading providing for hiring another permanent man for the city's engine company, the money to pay his salary to be transferred from this balance in the electric light fund.

When this ordinance was called Mr. Keller relinquished the chair to F. W. Zizelman and going upon the floor of the council, he made a protest against the passage of any measure to take money from the balance in question. "I am sorry," said Mr. Keller, "that I must speak against this particular measure. The Crystals probably need this additional permanent man and I have no desire to hamper that or any other company in the department. I have too deep an interest in the welfare of the city to do that. My action is based entirely upon what I believe to be the greatest need of the hour, the transportation of city business in a business-like way. We go along thoughtlessly piling up bills that we are unable to pay and I say to you, members of council, that it is time we stopped, for every year we are getting deeper into financial difficulties.

"I have no fault to find with the seeking some information during the week and find that in select council thirteen measures have been introduced appropriating \$6,393, which is to be taken from this electric light fund. In this branch of the council the number of measures introduced to date is twenty and the amount required to make them operative is \$6,754, making a total of \$13,147 to be paid out of a balance of \$124,345. What's the use of that kind of legislation, anyway?"

UNPAID BILLS.

"I went to the city controller's office and found that he has \$78,763 there in the form of judgments and bills approved by council, but the city is making no effort to pay. The judgments are drawing interest at the rate of six per cent, per annum. The only thing for us to do is to stop short and transfer this balance from the electric light fund to the judgment and incidental fund and enable the city to pay off some of the claims that now await liquidation in the controller's office.

"The kind of legislation proposed by all of these measures is careless, almost reckless, and we ought not to be a party to it. Let me kill all of the measures in our own branch and hang up those that come from the select. It is time we came to a stop. Where is the man who tries to pay his debts who will do business in this way? We may need more electric lights. I need three more ward, but we must preserve the credit of the city worse than we need electric lights. "It is not my purpose to obstruct legislation, but I am firmly convinced we ought not appropriate another dollar until the city's outstanding debts are wiped out."

When Mr. Keller had concluded, E. J. Coleman, the father of the Crystal ordinance, made a plea to save it from death. He said all of the other fire companies of the central city, save the Crystals, have three permanent men and that it is almost absolutely necessary to have another man at that house. He called attention to the fact that insurance rates are likely to be raised because of insufficient fire protection and strongly urged that an exception be made in favor of this ordinance. Councilmen Grier and Calpin also spoke in favor of the ordinance. It passed by the following vote:

repair it. For some reason that no one was able to explain, the engine was not repaired and now it is almost beyond help. It will cost \$1,200 to get it in any kind of shape for service and the members of the fire department committee believe it is better to get a new engine. It is therefore desired to use the \$400 to make changes on this engine house.

Mr. Zizelman, chairman of the joint fire department committee, was freely interrogated about the condition of the apparatus of the department and said the General Phinney engine is in the same condition as the Franklin. A year ago it could have been made serviceable for \$400. Now it is almost useless and it will cost \$1,500 to get it into any kind of shape for service. Even after expending that amount of money on it there is no guarantee that it can be depended upon.

THE CRYSTAL STEAMER. The Crystal steamer is undergoing repairs at the Cliff works. It was stored in an unheated building behind the city hall last winter, the water in the flues froze, then the flues burst, and it will cost the city more than \$150 to make the repairs now in progress.

The hose rolls because there is no proper way of drying it, and the hose wagons are falling apart because repairs are not made as soon as they become necessary.

Mr. Zizelman gave it as his opinion that a good deal of the city's apparatus is in such a deplorable condition because the men employed by the city to care for the engines and wagons are in some instances incompetent and careless.

Mr. Keller said it is evident there is gross carelessness in the care of the city property. If engines are allowed to get out of order and stay out of order, and if wagons fall apart through neglect, and hose rolls because it is not properly dried, it is someone's fault and that someone ought to be made to answer.

It was decided to postpone action on the ordinance until the next meeting, but the excitement was not allowed to die. While the fire department was under fire, James J. Grier, of the Third ward, wanted to say a word. Last April the fire department committee bought \$1,700 worth of horses from Frank Cobb, and two of the horses went to the Cumberland Hotel company. One of them has since developed a number of ailments and Mr. Grier wants the fire department committee to make Cobb furnish a sound animal for the diseased one. He made a motion to that effect which he passed.

Mr. Zizelman explained that when the horses were purchased they were examined by the veterinary surgeon of the department and he pronounced them sound. Since then one of the horses assigned to the Cumberland hotel company has become blind and developed the fact that he is wind-broken, spavined, a cribber and has the heaves.

Mr. Cobb will be asked to do what is right by the city, Mr. Zizelman said.

PROF. CONANT INJURED.

Fell from His Wheel on the Reservoir Drive. Professor J. W. Conant met with a somewhat serious accident Wednesday on the Reservoir Drive. He was wheeling and must have had a terrible fall, as his hands and head were severely lacerated, but when seen by friends some time later he was in a dazed condition and unable to remember what had happened and in what manner, although he had remounted his wheel.

He was accompanied to his home where his injuries received attention and he was able to be out last evening.

EIGHTH WARD CONTEST.

Five Witnesses Examined Before Commissioner E. W. Thayer. There was another hearing yesterday before Commissioner E. W. Thayer in the election contest of John E. Walsh against W. I. Thomas for the office of constable of the Eighth ward of this city.

The following witnesses were examined: J. P. Lloyd, Richard Kimacher, Joseph Black, J. Sellers and Stephen O'Hara. There will be another hearing in the arbitration room today at 2 o'clock.

Sunday School Excursion.

The members and friends of the Elm Park church and Sunday school are cordially invited to attend the Sunday school excursion and picnic at Lake Ariel, Friday, July 21st. The excursion leaves the Erie and Wyoming Valley depot on Washington avenue, at 8:30 a. m. Tickets to others than members of the Sunday school, adults 75c; children, 40c. Tickets will also be honored for passage on the 2:28 and 5:20 p. m. trains, and returning last train leaves the lake at 8:14 p. m. Tickets may be procured from Mr. Hicks at the Third National bank, from Mr. Hoak at Matthews' drug store, Mr. Yost at the Lehigh Valley ticket office, and from Captain W. A. May. Members of the Sunday school not having secured tickets may procure them by application to the committee at the depot, Friday morning. E. B. Carter, chairman of committee.

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NEW HANDS ARE AT THE HOSPITAL HELM

REORGANIZATION OF DIRECTORATE AND STAFF EFFECTED.

Moses Taylor, Jr., Succeeds W. F. Hallstead as President and the Messrs. Storrs Withdraw from the Board of Directors—Institution Is No Longer Open to the Public and Nine Physicians Are Dropped from the Staff—Dr. Leet Is Continued as Surgeon-in-Chief.

The "reorganization" policy of the new Delaware, Lackawanna and Western management was yesterday applied to the Moses Taylor hospital. The resignation of W. F. Hallstead as president of the directorate was accepted and Moses Taylor, of New York, son of the founder of the institution, was chosen in his stead.

Mr. Storrs resigned as secretary and treasurer, and the vacancy was filled by the election of E. E. Loomis, the new superintendent of mining. W. R. Storrs resigned from the board of directors and his place was given to General Superintendent E. E. Russell. President W. H. Truesdale succeeds ex-President Samuel Sloan as a director.

Directors D. A. Capwell, W. G. Fulton, C. L. Frey, R. H. Gibbons, E. A. Heermann, J. E. O'Brien, C. R. Parke, E. G. Ross and A. W. Smith were cut off from the hospital staff, reducing it to three members, Doctors N. Y. Leet, W. E. Allen and A. J. Connell, who composed the staff before the hospital was thrown open to the public.

DR. DAVIS RESIGNED.

Dr. F. W. Davis resigned as senior house surgeon and Dr. L. R. Kennedy, the junior house surgeon, was promoted to the senior place. Dr. Davis was asked to be relieved two months ago as he has arranged to take up private practice. The position of junior house surgeon will be filled by competitive examination.

It was decided not to receive outside patients hereafter, and to devote the entire institution to its original purpose, the care of the sick or injured employes of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad company and the Lackawanna Iron and Steel company. The custom of admitting as free patients members of the immediate families of employes was incorporated into a rule.

The proportion of paid patients at present is about one-half, but the capacity of the institution is not overtaxed at that. The hospital was thrown open to the general public about two years ago by order of the board of directors when it was seen that the patients for whom it was originally intended did not commence to fill it.

THE HEIRS CONCURRED.

The Taylor heirs concurred in the idea of enlarging the usefulness of the hospital and making the most of its founder's magnificent charity. There was no consideration of money-making when this step was taken as the original endowment of Moses Taylor with the additional bequests of his heirs, provide an income that will permit of lavish expenditures.

There were present at yesterday's meeting President W. H. Truesdale, General Superintendent E. E. Russell, Superintendent of Mining E. E. Wehrum, W. H. Storrs and W. H. Storrs. The former directorate consisted of W. F. Hallstead, Samuel Sloan, Moses Taylor, Walter Scranton, W. R. Storrs, W. H. Storrs and Henry Wehrum. The new directorate is made up of Moses Taylor, W. H. Truesdale, E. E. Loomis, E. G. Russell, Walter Scranton and Henry Wehrum.

ADJUDGED A BANKRUPT.

Petition of H. H. Beidleman's Creditors is Granted. H. H. Beidleman has been adjudged a bankrupt in the United States courts and his case was yesterday submitted to Referee C. A. Van Warner. Jessup & Jessup represented the petitioning creditors.

Mr. Beidleman was a book dealer and stationer and did a flourishing business until reference was made and compelled him recently to close out.

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